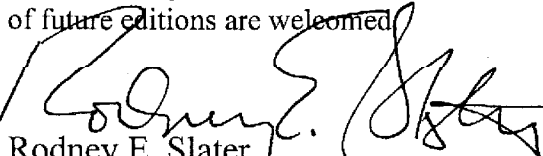

Letter of Promulgation

This letter promulgates the tenth edition of the Federal Radionavigation Plan (FRP), which was prepared jointly by the Departments of Defense and Transportation. It supersedes the 1996 Federal Radionavigation Plan. The FRP is published to provide information on the management of those Federally provided radionavigation systems used by both the military and civil sectors. It supports the planning, programming and implementing of air, marine, land and space navigation systems to meet the requirements shown in the President's budget submission to Congress. This plan is the official source of radionavigation policy and planning for the Federal Government, and has been prepared with the assistance of other Government agencies. The FRP is revised biennially.

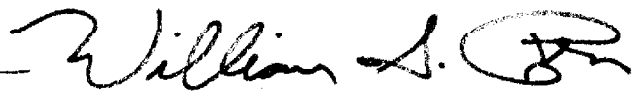
This issue of the FRP is the last issue of the 20th Century. As we look to radionavigation in the 21st century, we do so with the confidence that satellite systems will predominate as the new worldwide standard for positioning, navigation and time dissemination. The past decade has confirmed the capability of the technology to provide benefits, far exceeding initial expectations, to users throughout the world on land, at sea and in the air. The United States is proud to have pioneered and implemented this powerful technology. Hand in hand with bringing a major and revolutionary new capability on line come many challenges, the greatest of which is managing change. Transition from current systems and the determination of what part of the current radionavigation infrastructure to retain is a complex matter involving government, industry and users.

This edition covers planning completed as of the date of this Letter of Promulgation plus policies and plans until publication of the eleventh edition, the 2001 FRP. Of necessity, the FRP can be no more than a snap shot in time but nevertheless it remains the official radionavigation plan and policy of the United States. Policies and plans formulated in this edition may be subject to change during formulation of the next edition of the FRP. Your suggestions for the improvement of future editions are welcomed.



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